

Appl. No. 10/624,774
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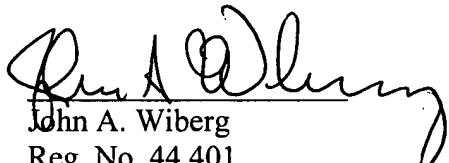
REMARKS

In the Office Action of October 6, 2004, claims 1-42 were rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-35 of U.S. Patent No. 6,498,205. Although Applicant does not necessarily agree that the conflicting claims are not patentably distinct from each other, Applicant submits a terminal disclaimer herewith to overcome the double patenting rejection. Prompt allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

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